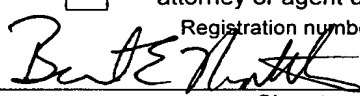
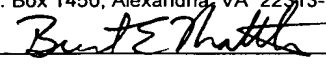


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number 29488/36815	
Application Number 09/754,762		Filed January 4, 2001	
For METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FILLING STOCK			
Art Unit 3653		Examiner Jeffrey A. Shapiro	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
		<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60 \$ 120.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225 \$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510 \$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795 \$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080 \$
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.			
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>13-2855</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.			
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).			
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.			
		Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34	<u>41,974</u>
		Signature	<u>February 7, 2005</u> Date
<u>Brent E. Matthias</u>		Typed or printed name	<u>(312) 474-6300</u> Telephone Number
NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.			

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

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